

**San Diego Miramar College
Environmental Stewardship Subcommittee**

Meeting Minutes

November 3, 2020; 2:00-3:00 via Zoom (Meeting ID: 967 7949 1819)

Members: Gail (Teresa) Warner, Pablo Martin, Andy Lowe, Alex Mata, Virginia Naters, Betty-Anne Reichard, AnnaLiza Soriano Manzo, Rachel Halligan, Alisa Peshina, William Wyatt

Permanent Guests: Liz Hubert, Evelyn Ono Vineberg, CL Caffrey, Melissa Martinez, Sheila Madrak, Mardi Parelman

Guests:

1) Call to order

2) Approval of agenda

3) Approval of minutes from last meeting

4) Business

1. Interim Chair Election: Sheila Madrak will serve as Interim Chair during the Spring 2021 semester (and will take Pablo's seat on the committee in his absence)
2. Update on Recycling: Republic takes the trash with the recycling and then sorts it out on their site (if necessary, see emails from Chris Manis, Recycling Concerns Email Manis.pdf, or Angie: Recycling Concerns Email 102120a.pdf and Recycling Concerns Email 102120b.pdf)
3. Blue Friday & Blue Friday at Wild Willow Farm (Melissa): "I'd like to ask y'all's opinions about Blue Friday. I attended a volunteer event a couple of years back at Wild Willow Farm, it was a picnic and a couple of hours of helping out. I invited my courses, and even though only one student showed up, it was a cool. Any interest in informal participation?"
 - a. ESC members have been asked to share any Blue Friday events or ideas that they are aware of so that we can share a list of activities with the campus community (classes, faculty, staff, and administrators)
 - b. Pablo will email a flyer to everyone on the DL on 11/16
4. Art Collaboration Opportunity: A former Miramar Arts adjunct wanted to share her interest in collaborating with the ESC on forums, lectures, exhibitons, etc. around

sustainability issues. She has partnered with environmental groups in past.
(<https://www.studio01projects.org/>, <https://www.shaunapectartworks.com/>)

5. Share "Global Solutions Sustainability Challenge Flyer.pdf"
 - a. Pablo will share this with Cheryl, ASG, and REC folks
6. Pablo will be presenting the ESC's goal/proposal at the next Facilities meeting on Nov 5, 2020.
 - a. The following is a proposal the ESC would like to make to the campus and the District Sustainability committee. Based on discussions at the ESC over the past year as well as discussions at the past two district meetings, we would like to move away from single use plastics. We would like to propose to the district committee and present to the Academic Senate: "The Miramar ESC is in support of the district phasing out single-use plastics, and not selling, buying, or signing new contracts that promote single-use plastics with the goal of zero single-use plastics by a future date."
 - b. Things to consider:
 - i. The end date should be based on input from all stakeholders, with the goal of reaching zero single-use plastics as soon as reasonably possible
 - ii. We should probably address the Covid and sanitation concerns around reuse vs. single-use products
 - iii. We'll need to consider the lack of and expense of dishwashers, etc.
7. Film recommendations:
 - a. A student shared David Attenborough's latest documentary: "I think it encapsulates why we are being sustainable in the first place. Definitely worth checking out." <https://www.netflix.com/title/80216393>
 - b. *Kiss the Ground*: A cure for climate change starts with a simple solution right under our feet. Kiss The Ground is now streaming on Netflix, and the exclusive Live Q&A with Gisele Bündchen, Woody Harrelson and Ian Somerhalder, plus the filmmakers, farmers and activists behind the regenerative movement, is right here. (<https://kissthegroundmovie.com/>)
 - i. Educational Version of *Kiss the Ground*: <https://kissthegroundmovie.com/for-schools/>: For teachers, educators, schools, colleges and home schoolers, there is good news...we have developed a 45-minute-long Educational Version of the Kiss the Ground movie that is designed for one class sitting and it is available for free for accredited educators.
 - ii. Also showing on Netflix

5) Reports

6) Roundtable

7) Adjournment
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